

WORLD OF RADIO #1117, produced Feb. 6, 2002 by Glenn Hauser

- *Ice storm disrupted WOR 1116 last week; not on WBCQ or WRN, but phone fed to RFPI, WWCR. Those who missed it may still hear it via Our Current Audio at <http://www.worldofradio.com>
- *DXLD 2-020 reports on our experiences during blackout, under Oklahoma plus our other monitoring
- *WOR site has new DX programs schedule, and Nets to You by John Norfolk
- *Kim Elliott announces he is leaving Communications World for audience research post at VOA, and the show will not continue after Feb 23
- *VOA journalist Spozhmai Maiwandi who scored an interview with Taliban leader has been kicked upstairs to a ``useless job``
- *Committee to Protect Journalists concerned about the above; see:
<http://www.cpj.org/news/2002/USA17jan02na.html>
- *Brother Stair accused by other WBCQ broadcasters of crimes; see
<http://www.thenetteam.net> for testimonials, police reports
- *HAARP plans more HF injection experiments from Alaska: DXLD 2-021
- *Johns Hopkins University sold WJHU, renamed WYPR
- *CBC Radio One to make over morning and Saturday programming this fall for more youth appeal
- *Tokelau Islands to get FM radio stations with New Zealand aid
- *RNZI Mailbox due back from summer vacation in February
- *NTL, company operating ABC and other transmitters in Australia is in deep financial difficulties, a gigadollar in debt
- *R. Bougainville closing for lack of funds; efforts to stop this [presumably the one on 3325]
- *R. Station Pacific Ocean, Vladivostok, off SW and LW, cut back to only one MW frequency
- *North Korea has new Arirang Festival website celebrating Kim Il-Sung 90th birthday: <http://www.arirang.dprkorea.com/english>
- *A marvellous set of symmetrical spurs from V. of Korea on 9 MHz
- *RKI special on future of broadcasting Feb. 16
- *CRI special honoring George J. Poppin Feb. 16
- *Look for Chinese New Year specials Feb. 11
- *The Media Magazine you Monitor with your Mind, World of Radio 1117; P O Box 1684, Enid, OK 73702 USA; wghauser@hotmail.com Websites: <http://worldofradio.com> and <http://www.angelfire.com/ok/worldofradio>
- *RTI still has Chinese language lessons in English and Spanish
- *R. Nepal back on 5 MHz band
- *AIR, Gangtok, Sikkim heard with weaker and stronger signals
- *AIR, Leh, devastated by fire; if it's off 60m, hear Port Blair
- *R. Pakistan's unpredictable English newscasts
- *Another English newscast found from Turkmenistan
- *Denge Mezopotamya on new frequency, still experimenting
- *Andy Sennitt suggests planned cuts of Israel's shortwave are a ploy to draw attention to need for a bigger budget
- *V. of Greece English program heard at wrong time
- *Bob Zanotti leaving Swiss Radio International; oops, Swissinfo. And

will attend Winter SWL Festival; Kim Elliott the keynote speaker

*SWFunk, Germany, very weak in North America even when Marti off

*RTM, Mali, locked on an off-frequency 7 MHz channel

*R. Benin, also off-frequency 7 MHz

*Burundi station started webcasting: <http://www.studioijambo.org>

*Malawi reactivated not only on 7 but also 3 MHz frequencies

*Zimbabwe claims US backs SW Radio Africa; if credible, could site be Botswana or Sao Tome instead of South Africa?

*Madagascar no longer on off-frequency 5 MHz channel; frantic IS

*Radio MEC, 1710 kHz in Argentina, significance of name; phone

*Carnival season leads two Uruguayan SW to stay on late at night; one's site is <http://www.emisoraciudaddemontevideo.com.uy>
[live stream at 0517 UT seemed offair pickup with station missing]

*R. Frecuencia Popular, new Peruvian from unknown location

*HCJB proceeding with transmitter site move from Pifo to Santa Elena, but will take four years; see DXLD 2-020

*Answering my own question last week, Alo, Presidente reconfirmed from R. Nacional Venezuela on SW via Habana, Sunday morning

*See website summarizing many of these shows:
http://www.el-nacional.com/actualidad/alo/alo_presidente.asp

*Hope for tropical band DXers bothered by the 'Swiper', ocean wave radar. CODAR will try to restrict to frequency range avoiding broadcasters; see DXLD 2-021

*Unidentified Mideast station on 5550, music only, morning and eve

*This solar cycle seems to have two peaks: DXLD 2-011, 2-020

*Propagation outlook from Boulder Feb. 5: flux range 225-200-255-230

*Standard disclaimer

*Glenn Hauser, concluding WOR 1117 and inviting you to hear me again next week

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